



Culpeper Minutes

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January
2010



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Culpeper down home and OPEN for business!

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A Message from the Board of Supervisors

Dear Citizens:

Our best wishes go out to you and your families this holiday season. The Board of Supervisors hopes that the year 2009 was a good one, despite the economic woes facing our country.

The Board will be working diligently on the budget for fiscal year 2011 by the time this reaches you. This promises to be a very difficult year, even as the economy begins to improve, revenues will not be sufficient to fund the many needs of the County. Despite an extremely tight budget last year, the Board opted to cut services and provide a decrease in real estate taxes. We are sensitive to the need to balance funding for schools and other critical services against the need to keep taxes at a level that citizens can manage during these difficult times.

Please take note of the Awards won by our Departments of Procurement, Information Technology, and E 9-1-1 which are described on pages 31-33. We are proud of this recognition, as we continue our effort to better serve you through constant process improvement. We hope you enjoy the newsletter.

We have, and will continue to do the best we can, but we do want to hear from you. Please feel free to contact any Board member, or member of the staff, and perhaps plan on attending budget public hearings in the spring.

Again, we hope that your holidays have been joyous and that the new year brings you happiness and prosperity.

For the Board,

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Boards, Committees and Commissions

Would you like to be an advisor to the Board of Supervisors?
Would you like to have a voice in shaping policy without having to run for office?
If this sounds good to you --- there is an opportunity!
Are you aware that the Board of Supervisors has committees which make recommendations on issues in a variety of areas of community life?
Perhaps you have an interest, knowledge or experience that is needed.
If you would like to contribute your service on a board or committee, we would like to hear from you.
Please call the Administrative Office at 540-727-3427 for an application, or visit our website at www.culpepercounty.gov

Meetings of the Board of Supervisors are held the first Tuesday of each month: at 10 a.m. for general County business and at 7 p.m. for a public forum, planning business and public hearings. Agendas are available prior to the meetings at the Library and on the County website at www.culpepercounty.gov and minutes are available following the meetings. Video coverage is provided by Channel 21.

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Congressman Eric Cantor



It is a great honor to serve as your representative in Washington and to have the opportunity to work on your behalf for a safer, more secure, more prosperous Virginia. As we dig ourselves out of an economic recession, my top priority in this New Year is to fight for policies that will get Virginians back to work.

Job Fair

Last November, I sponsored a job fair at Germanna Community College. Many employers and job seekers turned out, making for a great day that will have lasting impact for many citizens of Culpeper looking to get back to work. In Congress, I continue to work towards long-term solutions that will put Virginia businesses and families back on the path to economic security. With a focus on job creation and providing more opportunity for our children, I will continue to fight for lower taxes, less government spending and policies that will make life better and more free for all Virginians.

Congressional Art Contest

The Seventh District Congressional Art Contest will be held this spring. This annual competition is open to all high school students and provides a great opportunity to showcase some of the great artistic talent we have in Virginia’s 7th District. Students may submit a single, original entry no larger than 32 by 32 inches, including the frame. Paintings, drawings, watercolors, pastels, collages or prints may be submitted.

All entries are publicly displayed and are reviewed by a professional panel of judges who award first, second, and third-place awards. The winners are announced during a reception honoring all participating student artists and their parents, teachers and school administrators.

The winning entry will be displayed, along with those of students from across the country, in the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C., for one year. The work of the runners-up will be displayed in Congressman Cantor's office for one year.

To get more information about entering the Congressional Art Contest and a participation form, please contact my office at (540) 825-8960 or (800) 438-3793.

Congressional Award

The Congressional Award is a non-partisan program created by Congress to promote and recognize achievement, initiative and service in America's youth. The Congressional Award provides a unique opportunity for young people to set and achieve challenging goals that build character, foster community service, encourage personal development and promote citizenship. The four goal setting areas are 1) volunteer public service, 2) personal development, 3) physical fitness, and 4) expedition/exploration.

Students from Culpeper County High School continue to stand out as recipients of the Congressional Award program. I look forward to the participation of students from the new Eastern View High School.

For more details on the Award, or to sign up, please visit www.congressionalaward.org or contact my office at (540)-825-8960 or <http://cantor.house.gov> or your school’s guidance counselor.

I am honored by the confidence you place in me to be your voice in Washington. If you or your family need any assistance with passport applications, social security benefits, veteran’s benefits, federal grants or any other issue, please contact me or my Culpeper District Representative Vanessa Freeman (540-825-8960). I encourage you to visit me online at <http://cantor.house.gov>. I look forward to hearing from you, and I wish you and your family all the best in this New Year.

Eric Cantor is our representative in Congress. We are the Seventh District. Congressman Cantor is also the Republican Whip in the 111th Congress, responsible for managing the Republican legislative program on the House floor, keeping track of all legislation and ensuring that all party members are present when important measures are to be voted upon.

Contact Congressman Cantor for help in dealing with federal agencies or to get passport assistance, to arrange tours in Washington, D.C., to order flags, to ask for nomination to a U.S. Service Academy, or to apply for an internship.

<http://cantor.house.gov>

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This newspaper is a quarterly publication to the citizens of Culpeper County by the Board of Supervisors. It is designed to present and provide information about issues affecting those who live in Culpeper. Over 20,000 copies are distributed, one to each mail address in Town, County, and to each U.S.P.S. Box within the Town and County of Culpeper.

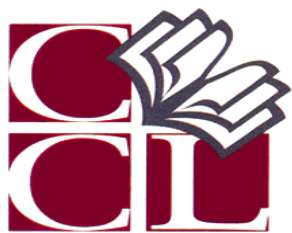
The newspaper is also available online at www.culpepercounty.gov Email dhoffman@culpepercounty.gov with comments and suggestions or to unsubscribe.

Culpeper Frequently Used Contact Information

ADMINISTRATION	
302 N. Main Street	727-3427
AIRPORT	
12517 Beverly Ford Road.....	825-8280
Flight Instruction	727-8433
Flight Maintenance.....	727-8400
ANIMAL SERVICES	
10144 James Monroe Hwy.....	547-4477
Emergency After Hours.....	727-7900
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS	
302 North Main Street.....	727-3427
BUILDING INSPECTIONS & PERMITS	
302 North Main Street.....	727-3405
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	
825-8628	
CHANNEL 21	825-2447
COMMISSIONER OF ACCOUNTS	825-0701
COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE (Suite 201)	
151 North Main Street.. NEW ADDRESS ...	727-3443
State Income Taxes.....	727-3443
Personal Property Assessments/Appeals ..	727-3443
COMMONWEALTH'S ATTORNEY	
118 W. Davis Street.....	727-3441
Culpeper Victims/Witness Program.....	727-3413
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	
Building Inspections & Permits.....	727-3405
Economic Development.....	727-3410
Emergency Services	
non-emergency number)	727-7161
Environmental Services.....	727-3409
Parks and Recreation.....	727-3412
Planning and Zoning.....	727-3404
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION	
302 N. Main Street.....	727-3427
Computer Technology.....	727-3416
County Administrator.....	727-3427
County Attorney.....	727-3407
Finance.....	727-3427
Human Resources.....	727-3422
Youth Network (Culpeper)	727-3414
Local Adult Probation	727-3450
COURTS	
Circuit Court Clerk's Office.....	727-3438
Circuit Court Judge.....	727-3440
Criminal Justice Services	727-3450
General District Court Clerk.....	727-3417
Juvenile & Domestic Court Clerk.....	727-3418
Legal Aide.....	825-3131
CRIME SOLVERS	727-0300
CRIMINAL JUSTICE ..155 West Davis.....	727-3450
CULPEPER FREE CLINIC	825-2252
CULPEPER REGIONAL HOSPITAL	
829-4100	
CULPEPER RENAISSANCE	
825-4416	
CULPEPER VICTIMS/WITNESS PROGRAM	
118 W. Davis Street	727-3413
DAY CARE—KIDS CENTRAL	
829-2124	

DMV	727-3251
	Or 1-866-368-5463
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	
233 E. Davis Street.....	727-3410
EMPLOYMENT COMMISSION (VEC)	
829-7430	
EMERGENCY SERVICES	
(Non Emergency).....	727-7161
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	
118 W. Davis Street.....	727-3409
HEALTH DEPARTMENT	829-7350
HUMAN SERVICES	
219 E. Davis Street.....	727-0372
Career Resource Center.....	727-1055
Culpeper Cosmetology Center.....	727-8003
Day Care.....	829-2124
Families First.....	829-2065
Family Support.....	727-0388
Foster Care/Independent living.....	727-0372
Public Assistance.....	727-0372
JUVENILE JUSTICE	
Juvenile Probation/16th CSU	
101 S. West Street, 2nd Floor	727-3437
LANDFILL	
825-8559	
Recycling.....	727-3409
LIBRARY	
271 Southgate Shopping Center.....	825-8691
LIBRARY OF CONGRESS	827-1079
MAGISTRATE	
727-3433	
OPTIONS PROGRAM	
829-2129	
PARKS & RECREATION	
155 W. Davis Street.....	727-3412
PLANNING & ZONING	
302 N. Main Street.....	727-3404
POST OFFICE	
829-8435	
PROBATION (Adult)	
727-3450	
PROCUREMENT/COMMUNICATIONS	
101 S. West Street	727-3488
RAPPAHANNOCK ELECTRIC	825-8373
REAL ESTATE ASSESSMENTS	
Land Use.....	727-3411
Property Assessments.....	727-3411
Tax Relief	727-3411
REGISTRAR	
151 N. Main St..... NEW ADDRESS	727-3445
RISK MANAGEMENT	
101 S. West Street	727-3480
SCHOOLS	
SCHOOL BOARD ADMINISTRATION	
450 Radio Lane.....	825-3677
Superintendent of Schools.....	825-3677

Food Service Office.....	825-8212
Maintenance Office.....	825-0661
School Bus Garage.....	825-5446
Special Education Office.....	825-3677
Elementary	
A.G. Richardson Elementary.....	825-0616
Emerald Hill Elementary.....	937-7361
Farmington Elementary.....	825-0713
Pearl Sample Elementary.....	825-5448
Sycamore Park Elementary.....	825-8847
Yowell Elementary.....	825-9484
Middle Schools	
Culpeper Middle School.....	825-4140
Floyd T. Binns Middle School.....	829-6894
High Schools	
Culpeper High School.....	825-8310
Eastern View High School.....	825-0621
ROTC Office.....	825-8310
Technical Schools	
George Washington Carver-Piedmont	825-2817
SHERIFF'S OFFICE	
Administration.....	727-7520
Crime Solvers.....	727-0300
Criminal Investigation.....	727-7523
Dare.....	727-7524
Dispatch (Communications) Center..	727-7900
Jail.....	727-3434
Records Center.....	727-3400
SOCIAL SECURITY	
825-3501	
SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION	
825-8591	
TOWN OF CULPEPER	
Town Clerk	829-8240
Town Environmental Services.....	825-8671
Town Light and Power.....	825-8165
Town Manager.....	829-8250
Town Planning.....	829-8260
Town Police.....	727-3430
Town Public Works	825-0285
Town Treasurer/Finance	829-8220
TREASURER (Suite 205)	
151 North Main Street.. NEW ADDRESS	727-3442
Dog Tags.....	727-3442
Property Taxes.....	727-3442
Utility Payments.....	727-3442
VDOT	
829-7624	
VIRGINIA COOPERATIVE EXTENSION/ 4-H	
101 S. West Street.....	727-3435
VOTER REGISTRATION	
151 North Main St.....	825-0652
YOUTH NETWORK	727-3414



Culpeper County Library

825-8691

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A person who won't read has no advantage over one who can't read. -- Mark Twain

Children's Programs

Walk-in Story Times Culpeper County Library offers two walk-in Story Times for children. Both programs are free and **do not require registration.**

Tuesdays 7:00 p.m.

(No Story Time Tuesday January 5)

Bedtime Story Time is a family event where children are encouraged to wear their pajamas, slippers and bring their favorite stuffed animal. There will be stories, songs, rhymes and activities. Each program focuses on a different theme. Pick up a Library Newsletter or visit our website for theme listings.

Fridays 10:30 a.m. (No Story Time Friday January 8)

Fun Friday Walk-in Story Time features stories, songs, activities and more! Each program focuses on a different theme. Pick up a Library Newsletter or visit our website for theme listings.

Tuesday Morning Registered Story Times

Sessions- January 12 - February 16

Registration begins Tuesday, January 5

March 2 - April 6

Registration begins Tuesday, February 23

Must Register IN PERSON at the Library

Pre-School Story Time Ages 3-5 Tuesdays 10:30 a.m.

Children participate on their own in this program. Caregivers remain in the Library during the program, but get to browse our books! At 11:00, caregivers assist children with crafts. Books, songs, puppets, finger plays, crafts, and flannel board stories make this a great time for all!

Toddler Story Time at 10:30 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

Caregivers participate with their children. Stories, songs, finger plays, rhymes, crafts, and more!

Bad weather... Please call the Library at 825-8691 to check whether there will be a Story Time.



Listen to DIAL-A-STORY @ 540-825-0555 to hear a GREAT story! The stories change every week and feature some seasonal selections.



Read along with TUMBLEBOOKS @ www.cclva.org on your computer at home or in the library. Click on "TumbleBooks™" for stories in English and other languages, puzzles and games.

READ TO THE DOGS AT THE LIBRARY!

2nd Saturdays of the month 10:30-11:30 a.m.

January 9, February 13, March 13

The Welcome Waggers therapy dogs are back for another fun-filled Saturday morning of reading! This program is intended to encourage children to practice reading without the pressure of getting all the words right. Dogs don't correct or criticize! Sessions are free, and there is no registration. A signed permission slip is required before children may participate in the program.



Itsy Bitsy Baby Story Time

3rd Thursdays of the month:

January 21, February 18, March 18 at 10:30 a.m.

Babies, birth to two years old, are welcome to attend. Parents will sit on the floor or a chair with their babies in their laps. Baby songs, nursery rhymes, finger plays, stretching exercises, books and methods for stimulating language and brain development for babies will be shared. No Registration Necessary.



Culpeper County Library (*continued*)

Teen Programs

For more information about upcoming events:

Facebook-CCLVA

Youtube at www.youtube.com/CClVa

Library Website at www.CClVa.org

Eat Pizza, Help plan Summer Programs for Teens

Thursday, January 7, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

MUST REGISTER—Space is Limited

Random Writers AGES 12 -18 -January 18, February 22, March 15, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Bring a notebook and any writing you would like to share. One writing prompt or free write at the beginning of each session. Then, writers share their work for fun and feedback. Listen, Share, Create, Speak Teen!

Books, Book Thongs, and Chocolate

Ages 12-18 Thursday, March 4 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

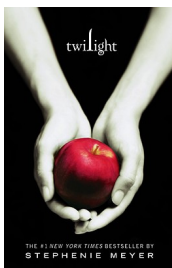
Eat chocolate and talk books. Then, make the coolest bookmark around! Book lovers, come on down! Recommend books and get book recommendations from other teens. Hardcover books will be raffled off at this event!

Anime Ages 12-18 Thursday, February 4 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Watch Spiral: What are the Blade Children? The wheel of fate turned when Kiyotaka Narumi vanished. On that night, Kiyotaka's younger brother, Ayumu, was forever changed. Ayumu found himself thrust into the baffling mystery of the Blade Children. Who are they? What have they done to deserve their fate? Why do they believe Ayumu is the key to their salvation? Only one thing is certain: The Blade Children will stop at nothing to complete their destiny. And only Ayumu stands in their way.

For more about the characters and the show visit the website - www.spiral.tv

Don't forget Overdrive!
Do you have Twilight on Your Ipad? Download hundreds of Young Adult titles straight to your Ipad, Creative Zen, or other MP3 Player for FREE on our website www.cclva.org



Friends of Culpeper County Library Bookstore is located in the Library at the back next to the Computer Room.

Friends Bookstore Hours

Monday – Thursday: 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
and 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

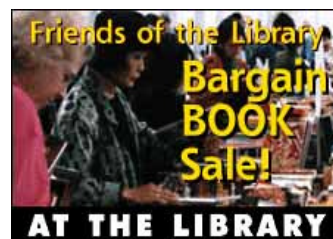
Friday: 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Saturday: 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Stop in and see us! Have some time in your schedule? Volunteer 2 hours per month to help with the extended hours. If you are interested in volunteering for the Bookstore, and helping the Friends help the Library, please call Kathy Clevenger at 825-8691 or e-mail her at kclevenger@cclva.org.

The Friends of the Library Bookstore is a great place to find good reading for yourself and your family. We have a wide selection of books, from the latest fiction to the old classics, and from biographies to the sciences, with a little of all in between. Our prices range from free for a small number of items, to a few dollars for the really new books and collectors' editions. Also available at the Circulation Desk are our large, super-sturdy book bags for only \$8.00 apiece. Fill one up with your great Bookstore finds!

The volunteers of the Friends of the Library Bookstore thank you for your support.



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

will meet in the Library Conference Room at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on the following dates:

JANUARY 21 - A STRANGER BESIDE ME

by Ann Rule. This is the true story of the notorious serial killer, Ted Bundy. The author, a former policewoman, discovers that this young man, who was her close friend, is actually the brutal mass-murderer she was tracking down. A fascinating and shocking read!

FEBRUARY 18 - THE BOOK THIEF

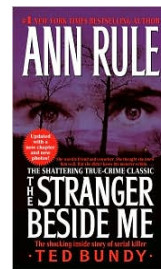


by Markus Zusak. Death narrates this story in which books become treasures. The novel takes place near Munich in Nazi Germany, and is the story of Liesel Meminger, a foster child who can't resist stealing books. Soon she is stealing books from Nazi book-burnings. This novel has won numerous awards!

MARCH 18 - NORTH RIVER

by Pete Hamill. The story opens in 1934. New York City is in the icy grip of the Great Depression. Dr. James Delaney, the main character, is a kind, compassionate physician. Then on a snowy day, the doctor finds his 3-year-old grandson on his doorstep. This will change his life forever. This is an engaging feel-good story. A national bestseller!

TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN OUR BOOK CLUB. READ THESE WONDERFUL BOOKS AND DISCUSS THEM WITH US. NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!



The books for discussion are available for one week checkout at the Circulation Desk or may be purchased at a discount at The Corner Shelf Bookstore. New members are always welcomed. Come and join us at our next meeting.



Culpeper County Library (continued)

Pansy Sale - Saturday, March 27

Just in time for Easter. Tired of winter? Get ready for spring with the Friends Annual Pansy Sale. March 28 starting at 9:00 a.m. until the pansies are sold (usually around 11:00). We often have begonias, calendula's and of course, lots of pansies. We'll post prices and plant varieties as the date draws near. So kick those wintertime blues and help out the Library at the same time.



It is never too late to join the Friends of the Culpeper County Library

Membership Year – January thru December
Membership Types:

Individual	\$5.00	Family	\$10.00
Institutional	\$25.00	Benefactor	\$50.00

The Friends of the Culpeper County Library is a non-profit volunteer organization dedicated to supporting the Library. Money raised by the Friends is used to sponsor programs and cultural opportunities that would otherwise go unfunded.

Each year, \$10,000 to \$15,000 is spent to support Library programs including:

- Summer Reading Program for children and teens
- Adult Reading Program
- Speaker programs for the community
- Storytellers for adults and children
- Book Page – monthly book review offered free of charge to patrons
- Support of National Library Week
- Library supplies such as puzzles, bookmarks, stickers, giveaways for children

Funds are raised through various activities that also benefit the community:

- Used Book Store and Used Book Corner operated at the Library
- Annual Pansy Sale
- Sale of commemorative leaves on Giving Tree located in Meeting Room
- Author events

Other Activities include:

- Sponsorship of Third Thursday book discussion groups
- Distribution of Lonesome Pine books-by-mail catalogs

MEMBERSHIP FORMS MAY BE OBTAINED
AT THE CIRCULATION DESK

Books, Bites & Bytes



“Goodies for Grownups,” the Library’s annual adult reading program, runs February 1 through April 5. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library, this year’s theme is “Books, Bites & Bytes.” Participants can win prizes just by reading books or listening to audio books from the Library’s collection. For each book read, get a chance to enter a drawing for “Bites” or “Bytes.” “Bites” include gift certificates to the following local restaurants: Glory Days, Ledo Pizza, and Sophie’s. “Bytes” include USB flash drives, MP3 players, and wireless mice.



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leading digital media services



Ever wish you could have the Library at your fingertips 24/7? On a trip with nothing to read or listen to? The Culpeper County Library is now available to you no matter where you may be, as long as you have access to a computer with an internet connection. Check out our best-kept secret, free of charge to you as always, with your Culpeper County Library Card.

With a valid library card, patrons can log onto the Library’s website, at www.cclva.org, install the free software, check out and download popular and classic audio books to their PC, and then transfer to a portable MP3 player or even burn some titles to CD and listen in the car. Most are now iPod compatible.

Among the growing collection are romance, mystery, and classic literature audio books. Non-fiction titles include self-improvement, foreign language study, business and careers, and more! The 24/7, free access includes audio books from best-selling authors like Nora Roberts, Nicholas Sparks, and James Patterson, in addition to titles from the classic writers Mark Twain and Charles Dickens.

Patrons can check out up to five titles at a time, and at the end of the 14 day lending period, the audio books will expire from their PC and be automatically returned. With the digital titles, there are no late fees or damage costs. The service is free, easy-to-use, and best of all, available anytime from anywhere in the world. Want to know more about **downloadable audio books**? Susan Keller, the director, is available for a 15-minute demonstration to your group. Call at 825-8691 to make an appointment for this new, but easy, technology.



Have a fever, cough, sneezing? Don’t feel well and NEED BOOKS? Don’t despair! The Library offers service to you at home. Online at www.cclva.org are **Overdrive** downloadable books for all ages, and **Tumblebooks** has a wide variety of reading and fun activities for children. If your children have not tried **Tumblebooks** and are out of sorts while home sick, this is the ideal time to provide them with a very absorbing pastime. If you need assistance in accessing these services, please call the Library at 540-825-8691, and we will be glad to assist you.

“The Flame” An exciting new book and new author. Mark your calendars for February 28 at 2:00 p.m. to hear Robert Baker talk about his new book. It is his story of turning tragedy into success!



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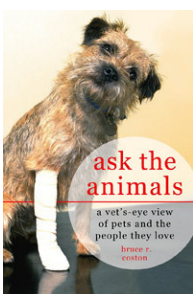


The Birth of Virginia's Aristocracy

James C. Thompson, II tells the largely untold story of how a class of men came to dominate the political, economic and social affairs in the colony of Virginia. The book traces a process that began with the opening of America's first legislature in July of 1619, continued through eighty-one years of colonial development and ended with the attorning of Colonel Richard Lee, powerful member of the Virginia's Council and large landowner on the Northern Neck, to Lord Fairfax and his descendents. The narrative concludes with a description of Virginia's political establishment as it existed at the time of the American Revolution. A post-script reconstructs Thomas Jefferson's plan to shift control of Virginia's new republican government away from the "pseudo-aristocracy." **Join us and author James C. Thompson on Sunday, February 7 at 2:00 for this fascinating discussion of Virginia's history.**

Join us April 11 at 2:00 p.m. for...

Ask the Animals: A Vet's-Eye View of Pets and the People They Love by Bruce R. Coston



Reminiscent of James Herriot's wonderful books, Coston's memoir "Ask the Animals: A Vet's-Eye View of Pets and the People They Love" offers zany, sad, and touching stories about a medical practice where the patients cannot speak, yet communicate deeply.

Bruce R. Coston's first book is a warm, funny, and amazingly fulfilling celebration of the wonderful world of animals as seen through the eyes of a small-town veterinarian.

The patients are an eclectic and surprising cast of characters who display incredible bravery and nobility at times, and unbelievable goofiness at others. There's Sandy, the dog who resurrected herself from death. There's Daphne, the transvestite cat who taught Bruce to be a cat person. And the owners are no less engaging, ranging from the angelic to the squeamish, teaching Bruce what it really means to be an animal doctor.

Readers will gain insight into the pathos and passion, the mundane and extraordinary, the thigh-slapping humor and the crushing sadness of a vet's life as he seeks to mend and restore people's treasured companions. Written with great warmth, this book imparts a deeper understanding of the pets who daily enrich our lives.

Volunteers are needed for both the Library and the Friends. We need people with all skill levels. We would love to have a professional woodworker that could refinish the edges of some of our tables and book stacks. After 11 years of use by many, many people, they could use some sprucing up. The Friends of the Library would buy the supplies, if you would do the work. We always need trainers to help with training on the computers, shelve to put books away, and bookstore volunteers. Please contact Kathy Clevenger at 825-8691 for more information.

For your convenience the Library is open for Lee/Jackson Day and Martin Luther King's Birthday. We will be closed President's Day, February 15, and Easter Sunday, April 4.

Healthy Culpeper

After School Arts

Program

Come Join the Fun!

FOR WHOM? Open to any Middle School/High School student residing in Culpeper.

WHEN? Classes start February 16

WHERE? Classes will be held after school at Culpeper Middle School - Tuesdays & Wednesdays.

WHAT CLASSES WILL BE OFFERED? GUITAR, DRAWING, PAINTING, JEWELRY MAKING, HOOP DANCING, CREATIVE WRITING/POETRY, TIE DYING, AND MORE.....

COST? There is no cost, but donations are requested and appreciated.

HOW DO I SIGN UP? Applications can be obtained at the Healthy Culpeper web site www.healthyculpeper.org or at the Healthy Culpeper office, Culpeper Parks & Recreation, and Culpeper County Library. Please return applications to the Healthy Culpeper office at the address below.

Questions? Please contact: Denise Walker at 829-2065 x 313 dwalker@culpeperhumanservices.org



763 Madison Road—Suite 208
Culpeper VA 22701
540-829-2065, Fax: 829-0927
walker@hfculpeper.org

Support provided by: Culpeper Public Schools, Culpeper Parks & Recreation, Windmore Foundation for the Arts, Wal-Mart, Mid-Day Lions, Clore-English Funeral Home, Northern Piedmont Community Foundation and other private sources.



ART CLASSES FOR ALL AGES

January–March 2010

CLASSES FOR KIDS



Making Marks

First Fridays

February 5 & March 5, 10am – 11am

Making Marks is a program for toddlers, preschoolers and their caregivers. Is your child ready for a first set of crayons? Not sure how to encourage them? At this Windmore playdate, children will get started “making marks” with jumbo crayons and big pads of paper, and adults will learn ways to encourage children and make art fun and appealing. Come play with us!

Free for Windmore members with a family membership or \$5 per class. No advanced registration required for this class.

GET ART: Intro to Drawing for Kids (ages 4 and older)

Saturday, January 16, 10am – 12pm

Get started drawing! Learn to draw what you see and what’s in your imagination. Class will be tailored to be appropriate for each child’s age, interests, and abilities. Supplies will be provided. Children under 6 must be accompanied by an adult.

\$15 Windmore members/\$20 for nonmembers

GET ART: Intro to Watercolor for Kids (ages 4 and older)

Saturday, February 6, 10am – 12pm

Learn how to make bold and beautiful watercolor paintings. Explore working with wet and dry paper, with a focus on fun. Class will be tailored to be appropriate for each child’s age, interests, and abilities. Supplies will be provided. Children under 6 must be accompanied by an adult.

\$15 Windmore members/\$20 for nonmembers

GET ART: Intro to Clay for Kids (ages 4 and older)

Saturday, March 6, 10am – 12pm

Working with air-dry clay, explore the coil, pinch, and slab methods for making clay objects. Class will be tailored to be appropriate for each child’s age, interests, and abilities. Supplies will be provided. Children under 6 must be accompanied by an adult.

\$15 Windmore members/\$20 for nonmembers

TEENS & ADULTS (13 and older)

GET ART: Intro to Drawing for Teens & Adults

Saturday, January 16, 1pm – 4pm

A great class for beginners or for those who want to enhance (or brush-up on) their drawing skills. Class will focus on drawing from observation, and it will include demonstration and critique. Supplies will be provided.

\$25 Windmore members/\$30 for nonmembers

GET ART: Intro to Watercolor for Teens & Adults

Saturday, February 6, 1pm – 4pm

An introductory watercolor class that explores the techniques of wet on wet, wet on dry, washes, and more. Class will include demonstration and critique. Supplies will be provided.

\$25 Windmore members/\$30 for nonmembers

GET ART: Intro to Clay for Teens & Adults

Saturday, March 6, 1pm – 4pm

Working with air-dry clay, explore the coil, pinch, and slab methods for making clay objects. Class will include demonstration and critique. Supplies will be provided.

\$25 Windmore members/\$30 for nonmembers



What is GET ART?

These are one-day classes with all supplies included and a great way to try out something new!

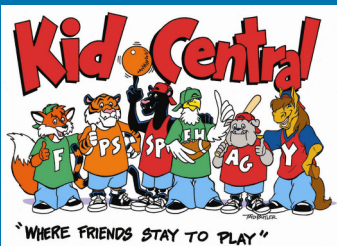
Visit www.windmorefoundation.org

View our calendar and the latest information on classes and workshops.

All classes are located at the Windmore Art Center
209 N. Commerce Street, Culpeper, VA.

Please e-mail getart@windmorefoundation.org or call 540-547-4333 to register. Space is limited. Please register early!

No refunds for missed classes or cancelled registrations.



Kid Central
1401 Old Fredericksburg Rd.
Culpeper, Virginia 22701

(540) 829-2124

Contact Us
Kidcentralculpeperva.com

Director Katreice Williams

Dates To Remember:
(Childcare Available)

January 1 (CLOSED)

*January 18 MLK
(OPEN)

*January 25 & 26
(OPEN)

*February 15
(OPEN)

*March 29-April 5
(OPEN)

May 31
(CLOSED)

On All The Above * Dates

Kid Central will be held at
Sycamore Park Elem. School

6:30a.m.—6:30p.m.

☺ Please Sign Up & Prepay

☺ Please Pack A Lunch

Kid Central is not
responsible for lost or
missing items brought
from home.

We have plenty of fun
to fill our day.

"SCRIBBLES" Newsletter

Winter 2010 Issue

NEW WEBSITE kidcentralculpeperva.com

COME LAUGH...The Winter Blues Away!!

Kid Central 2010 Before & After School locations are all looking forward to a winter full of new activities, and the same smiling, fun-filled, dedicated Staff.

Before School Child Care Locations: A.G. Richardson & Pearl Sample will be held at Pearl Sample; Sycamore Park & Yowell are held at Sycamore Park; while Emerald Hill & Farmington are having morning care (6:30a.m.until school be-

gins) at their schools. Activities in the mornings include, but are not limited to: Homework Review, Small Group Games, Free Art and a Quiet Social Time. Children attending **After School Child Care at each of our six elementary school locations (school dismissal until 6:30p.m.)** are enjoying several familiar activities, as well as new ones for winter that include "Express Yourself Through The Arts", "Nature's Plants & Ani-

mals", "Health & Wealth", "Seasons & Celebrations" to name a few. Sports Teams have been playing a great part in our program, as well as **Homework Club**, Science Club, 4-H Cooking, Crafts, Girl Scouts, and more. Individual schools plan for their groups' interests and availability of activities in the schools. Some may have computer lab, while others have chess club. Kid Central's great variety of



activities has created a well-rounded program for all children ages five through twelve years to enjoy daily. Kid Central also offers twelve-hour sessions on days listed (to the left).

Come Join The Fun!!

AWARD WINNING KIDS



Summer Day Camp Talent Show Winner- **Stuntmen**



Summer Day
Camp Talent
Show Winner-
Actors



Dominique Stinnie
won the
Fall Registration
Coloring Contest.



Soap Box Derby Best in Show -
Robert Day, III won driving for Kid Central.

Kid Central gives
Special Thanks to
the
Star Exponent
For Best in Show
Super Stock
Division Trophy and
photos
contributed by
Vince Vala.

Kid Central—where all our children are winners.!



**healthy
families
culpeper**

763 Madison Road
Suite 209
Culpeper, VA 22701
(540) 829-2065
(540) 829-0927 fax

Families First

Families First/Healthy Families Culpeper consists of three separate programs:

WELCOME HOME BABY Support and Resource Service

A recent poll indicated that most parents said they wished they had received more support and assistance during their pregnancy and in caring for their newborn. All of us feel the need for guidance and help when it comes to parenting. Welcome Home Baby is available to provide that extra support to every parent in Culpeper County. We offer free information and referrals related to parenting. As a parent in our community, you may have questions about where to go for:

- Child Care Providers
- Child Development Information
- Parent Support Groups
- Prenatal and Parenting Classes
- AND SO MUCH MORE!



Welcome Home Baby will offer you support in exploring the following:

- **Preparing** for the birth of your child
- **Understanding** the importance of caring for yourself during pregnancy
- **Nurturing** the relationship with your baby
- **Planning** for your family's future
- **Guiding** you to community resources and information to meet your specific needs

Welcome Home Baby is:

- **Free, Voluntary and Available** to every mother who lives in Culpeper

Welcome Home Baby wants you to know what to anticipate in the upcoming birth of your child, and we want you to feel successful as a new parent.

HEALTHY STEPS Home Visitation Program

To support **new and expecting parents**. We provide support and information that is helpful in raising a healthy child. Healthy Steps is a free, voluntary, confidential program for Culpeper County families which:

1. Helps parents learn new and fun ways to interact with their baby
2. Uses developmental tools to see how baby is growing
3. Helps parents develop goals and make them a reality
4. Promotes positive parent-child relationships
5. Promotes healthy childhood growth and development
6. Enhances family problem-solving skills
7. Provides home visitation for participants who qualify
8. Connects families to resources, and provides:
 - Parenting classes
 - Infant massage classes
 - Parent group activities
 - Child development curriculum

Healthy Steps provides a Family Support Coordinator who visits with families to support them and help them learn about child development, nurturing and bonding, nutrition, safety and other issues related to parenting.

The Family Support Coordinator will begin with once-a-week visits for about an hour. Then, depending on the needs of the family, the Family Support Coordinator can decide when to have fewer visits.

PARENTING EDUCATION PROGRAM

Families First is offering support for parents and caregivers of children **under the age of 5**.

Where: Culpeper Regional Hospital Conference Room (in Cafeteria)

Time: 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Cost: \$15.00 (cash only) for required text book

Phone: Vicki Richards 829-2065 ext. 309 to pre-register.

Sorry! No Daycare provided!

2010 Classes –two hour sessions on the first 3 consecutive Wednesdays of each month

February 3, 10, 17

March 3, 10, 17

April 7, 14, 21

May 5, 12 19



Having a healthy pregnancy and raising a happy, healthy child is so important - but, it is not an easy job!

2010 Empowering Culpeper USDA Food Commodity Distribution

Where: Culpeper United Methodist Church
1233 Oaklawn Drive Culpeper, VA 22701

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Dates: January 16	May 15	September 18
February 20	June 19	October 16
March 20	July 17	November 20
April 17	August 21	December 18

Families that are income-eligible will be enrolled to receive food commodities on a monthly basis. Households that receive Food Stamps or Medicaid or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) are automatically eligible.

The Culpeper Connector provides pick up (at Depot) and drop off transportation to the church.

Please be there on time. Registration and distribution will take some time. For more information or if you would like to volunteer, please contact Vicki Richards at 829-2065 ext. 309.



REGIONAL ADULT EDUCATION

CULPEPER, MADISON, ORANGE & RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTIES

Many adults who did not complete a high school program of instruction have continued to learn through a variety of experience encountered in everyday life. The purpose of the GED Testing Program is to provide an opportunity for these individuals to have the learning acquired from such educational experiences evaluated and recognized. The GED Tests make it possible for qualified individuals to earn a high school credential, thus providing opportunities for hundreds of thousands of adults to:

- Pursue higher education
- Obtain jobs or job promotions
- Achieve personal goals

WHAT ARE THE GED TESTS?

The Tests of General Education Development (GED Tests) are internationally recognized. They have been designed to measure major academic skills and knowledge in core content areas that are learned during four years of high school. When an adult passes the 7 ½ hour GED Tests battery, the resulting GED credential certifies that he or she has attained subject matter knowledge and skills associated with high school completion. The GED Tests battery includes the following subject area tests:

- Language Arts, Writing
- Social Studies
- Science
- Language Arts, Reading
- Mathematics

The GED Tests are offered in English and Spanish editions.

George Washington Carver-Piedmont Technical Education Center
GED Testing Schedule
Denise S. Vogt, Chief Examiner
GED Schedule for 2010

January 8 & 9
February 5 & 6
March 12 & 13
April 9 & 10
May 14 & 15
June 11 & 12
July 23 & 24

You need to register 10 days before the test date.
Reasonable accommodations are available upon request,
for individuals who qualify.

The George Washington Carver-Piedmont Technical Education Center (GWC-PTEC) is open to take your GED application Monday – Thursday 8:30 A.M. – 3:30 P.M. and Friday 8:30 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. Additionally, we are open late on Monday and Thursday evening until 8:00 P.M.



Piedmont Regional Adult Education
(540) 825-0476

Register for Adult Classes in your area for GED Preparation, or ESOL (English Speakers of Other Languages). Work on your reading, writing and math skills for GED and speaking skills for ESOL.
Call for information.

GWC-PTEC GED – 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM./Tues. & Thurs.
GWC-PTEC, Rapidan, VA.

Culpeper GED – 5:30 PM – 8:00 PM/Tues. & Thurs.
Health & Human Resources, Culpeper, VA

Culpeper/Rappahannock ESOL – English As A Second Language
6:30 PM – 9:00 PM/Tues. & Thurs./Health & Human Resources
Culpeper, VA & Farmington Elementary ESOL
6:00 PM-8:30 PM/Tues. & Thurs., Culpeper, VA

Morning ESOL – 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM/Mon. & Wed.
Virginia Community Bank, Culpeper, VA

Head Start ESOL – 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM/Mon. & Wed.
Head Start, Culpeper, VA

Fast Track Class – 5:30 PM – 8:00 PM/Mon. & Thurs.
GWC-PTEC, Rapidan, VA

Literacy Council of Madison GED – 9:30 AM – 12:00 Noon/Mon. & Wed.
Madison Literacy Council, Madison, VA

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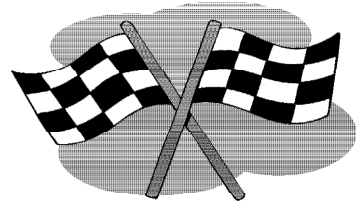
Literacy Council of Madison GED – 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM/Tues. & Thurs.
Madison Literacy Council, Madison, VA

Gordonsville GED – 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM/Mon. & Wed.
Gordon-Barbour Elem. Library, Gordonsville, VA

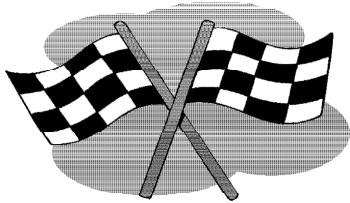
Head Start ESOL—5:30 PM—7:30 PM/Mon. & Wed.
Prospect Heights Annex, Orange, VA

Orange GED – 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM/Tues. & Thurs.
Orange County High School, Orange, VA

Rappahannock GED – 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM/Mon. & Thurs.
Rappahannock High School, Washington, VA



Start Your Education
Start Your Engines for a Better Job



PIEDMONT REGIONAL ADULT EDUCATION

All classes at George Washington Carver-Piedmont Technical Education Center
9432 James Madison Highway, Rapidan VA 22733
Telephone (540)-825-0476

Spring 2010 CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHEDULE

CLASS	DAY/SITE	BEG.-END	SESSIONS	TIME	FEE
Beginning Astronomy	TBA/C	TBA	1	8:00 P.M.	FREE
Computers for Seniors	T/C	3/2 - 3/30	5	6:00-8:00 PM	\$80.00
Computers for Seniors	T/C	4/13 - 5/11	5	6:00-8:00 PM	\$80.00
Introduction to Computers	M/C	3/1 - 3/29	5	5:00-7:00 PM	\$80.00
Introduction to Computers	W/C	4/14 - 5/12	5	6:00-8:00 PM	\$80.00
MS Excel I	W/C	3/3 – 3/31	5	7:00-9:00 PM	\$80.00
MS Excel I	W/C	4/14 - 5/12	5	7:00-9:00 PM	\$80.00
MS Excel II	TH/C	4/15 - 5/13	5	5:00-7:00 PM	\$80.00
MS Word I	W/C	3/3 - 3/31	5	5:00-7:00 PM	\$80.00
MS Word I	T/C	4/13 - 5/11	5	5:00-7:00 PM	\$80.00
MS Word II	T/C	4/13 - 5/11	5	7:00-9:00 PM	\$80.00

All Classes at GWC-PTEC

TUITION REQUIRED IN ADVANCE

Detach and return with payment by
February 23, 2010

Office of Continuing Education
George Washington Carver – Piedmont Technical Education Center
9432 James Madison Hwy.,
Rapidan, VA 22733.

Make check and money order payable to:
Orange County School Board

Name: _____

Address: _____

Street Name City State Zip Code

Daytime Phone () _____ Evening Phone () _____

Please enroll me in the following classes:

Class Name	Day (Circle One)	Time	Cost
	Mon./Tues./Wed./Thurs.		
	Mon./Tues./Wed./Thurs.		
	Mon./Tues./Wed./Thurs.		

Method of Payment: M.O. _____ Check _____ Cash _____



Our vision for aging is that citizens living in the Rappahannock Rapidan area retain their sense of place and community, serve and contribute to that community, and are assured of help when needed from family, friends, neighbors, and places of worship, as well as from helping organizations and a responsive government. All seniors are valued and are able to move smoothly through a continuum of care in a manner reflective of their needs and preferences.

Working In Homes to Keep People At Home

Tammy Stringfellow found herself in the role of caregiver when her aunt became ill and needed someone to stay with her to help her recover. Then her mom became ill and needed the same type of care. Later, Tammy realized caregiving was something she was good at, something she enjoyed, and she wanted to continue doing it. She completed the required training hours and began working as a personal care aide in the homes of elderly and disabled people through the RRCSB/AAA's Personal Care program. That was over 14 years ago.

The numbers keep coming at us – one in four people in Culpeper is over age 65. Within the next decade that number will double, and the “Boomers” are reaching retirement age in droves. Although 80% of all care of elderly and people with disabilities in Virginia is provided by family caregivers, there is an often unnoticed part of the workforce working quietly in the homes of older people in our region. Personal Care Aides, Certified Nursing Assistants and other direct support professionals provide quality care that allows these valued citizens to remain at home, aging in the comfort of the community they love.

Healthcare is one of the few parts of the economy that is still thriving, not that it's an easy industry in which to work. Home Health-

care is rarely recognized among the continuum of physicians, nurses, lab techs and other specialists who work in hospitals, nursing homes and assisted living. The work of a Home Health professional is not a glamorous one. So what do these direct care workers do and why do they do it?

Susan Boggs, works for Home Instead and even as a child, has always felt comfortable around older people. She finds their experiences and life stories fascinating. Hearing about their lives motivates her to give that extra bit of herself to help them thrive and succeed.

In-Home Support Services staff Rusty Partlow and Rachel Cash have 14 years experience between them. Both began their careers as family caregivers much like Tammy Stringfellow. Rachel says, “I enjoy cooking, cleaning and caring for my people. I want to make sure they are safe in their homes.” Tammy agrees. “I love taking care of older people. A lot of them don't have anyone to help or come to see them. I go into the home and help with bathing, preparing meals, assisting with medications and light cleaning.”



Susan admits that it takes a lot of effort to stay creative when doing this work. She dreams of moving on to a supervisory position supporting teams of fellow providers. Rachel Cash and Tammy Stringfellow plan to stay in the health care profession for many years to come. Rusty Partlow is currently taking classes to earn his Practical Nurse Diploma and further his career. He sums it up well. “Seeing people comfortable in their homes, the smiles on their faces, and the one-to-one, hands-on-care make this a rewarding profession.”

In-home support services are available from a number of providers in the Culpeper area including In-Home Support Services (727-9539), Home Instead (825-7180), Family Care Home Health (825-2273) and RRCSB/AAA Personal Care Services (825-3100).

To learn more about how the Aging Together Partnership is working to improve quality of life for older adults and their caregivers, call 540-829-6405 or visit our website at www.agingtogether.org



Are You Covering Your Cough and Washing Your Hands?

Thank you to EVERYONE who received their seasonal and H1N1 vaccine this fall. If you didn't, it isn't too late to do it.

We still need to continue covering our coughs and sneezes with our elbows or shoulders, and if using a tissue, immediately throwing it away and then washing our hands thoroughly (20 seconds).

The Rappahannock-Rapidan Medical Reserve Corps (RRMRC) volunteers have had a busy fall assisting the Health District with the seasonal and H1N1 injection clinics. The role of the RRMRC is more important than ever. Approximately 50 volunteers joined the RRMRC between September and now. Even though the RRMRC now has 410 volunteers, *many more volunteers are still needed!*

**Rappahannock-
Rapidan**

medical
reserve
corps



**Culpeper-Fauquier-Madison
Orange-Rappahannock**

It is easy to join the RRMRC.

Complete the application either online at <http://rrmrc.vdh.virginia.gov> or by calling 540-829-7350 x132 to have it mailed to you.

As always – please remember to cover your cough, wash your hands, stay home when you are sick and get your flu shot!